



NEWS RELEASE

United States Department of Agriculture
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS SERVICE
NEW ENGLAND FIELD OFFICE

53 Pleasant Street, Rm 3450 Concord, NH 03301-9902



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 23, 2015

Contact: Gary Keough
(603) 224-9639

Maine Honey Production Up 25 Percent Vermont Honey Production Up 14 Percent

Maine

Honey production in 2014 from Maine producers with five or more colonies totaled 376 thousand pounds, up 25 percent from 2013, according to Gary Keough, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New England Field Office. There were 8 thousand colonies producing honey in 2014, up 14 percent from 2013. Yield per colony averaged 47 pounds, up 9 percent from the 43 pounds in 2013. Honey prices increased during 2014 to 536 cents per pound, up 71 percent from 314 cents per pound in 2013. Producer honey stocks were 41 thousand pounds on December 15, 2014, up 52 percent from a year earlier.

Vermont

Honey production in 2014 from Vermont producers with five or more colonies totaled 174 thousand pounds, up 14 percent from 2013, according to Gary Keough, State Statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service, New England Field Office. There were 3 thousand colonies producing honey in 2014, unchanged from 2013. Yield per colony averaged 58 pounds, up 14 percent from the 51 pounds in 2013. Honey prices increased during 2014 to 503 cents per pound, up 29 percent from 389 cents per pound in 2013. Producer honey stocks were 61 thousand pounds on December 15, 2014, up 33 percent from a year earlier.

The Honey Production report and all other NASS reports are available online at www.nass.usda.gov.

###

NASS provides accurate, timely, and useful statistics in service to U.S. agriculture. We invite you to provide occasional feedback on our products and services. Sign up at http://bit.ly/NASS_Subscriptions and look for "NASS Data User Community."

USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 (voice), or (202) 720-6382 (TDD).